

DECIDE BY PRIMARY.

THE PLAN FOR ELECTING DELEGATES FROM MANCHESTER.

NEW METHODIST CHAPEL PROBABLE.

Directors of Sunday-School Association Expect to Build One-Mr. Crooks Not Believed to Have Been Hurt—Other South-Side Items.

The City Central Committee of Manchester met last night at 8 o'clock, in the office of its chairman, Mr. Lawrence P. Pool, and after a short deliberation and almost free from opposition, decided that Manchester should designate her preference for a representative in the House of Delegates by primary election.

Mr. Pool called the meeting to order promptly at the appointed hour, and the body lost little time in getting to the work to be done. The motion to vote for the candidates direct in a primary election on September 17th was carried almost without dissent. Mr. George H. Jones, of the Fourth Ward, then moved that each candidate who contemplated entering the contest should notify the chairman not later than September 15th, noon, and assume his share of the expenses of the election. This motion also prevailed. The cost of the election in this city is about \$30, and there are at present two gentlemen who have allowed their names to be placed before the people.

Upon motion, the chairman appointed a committee of one from each ward to act with himself to determine the details of the primary, and, above all, whether the votes shall be counted by wards or for the entire city. This committee meets to-day. It was obviously the best and most satisfactory results would be obtained if the candidates who received the majority of the votes in the entire city should be entitled to the eight electors of the city, whom he is privileged to appoint to sustain him at the convention to be held here on the 23d. The body of gentlemen, however, who will decide this question are Messrs. Lawrence P. Pool (chairman), G. W. Goddard, First Ward; W. T. Pugh, Second Ward; H. R. Simon, Third Ward; and George H. Jones, Fourth Ward. There are now four candidates in the city and counties—one from each county and two from Manchester—and from this number two are to be chosen. As the time approaches, the gentlemen who have entered the race begin to show their mettle, and the fight promises to be hot and the final outcome uncertain.

MAY BUILD A CHURCH.

The Board of Directors of the Manchester Methodist Sunday schools held an important meeting in First Street church last evening at which a committee was appointed to estimate the cost to build a neat, commodious house of worship for the Semmes-Street Sunday school, at Semmes and Fourteenth streets. It is practically certain that a chapel will be built on this site, and the directors are questioning the propriety and wisdom of putting up an expensive structure here when it is anticipated soon to move Central church from its present home, on Ninth street, to a more convenient location on Porter street. The impression prevails that only a modest house will result from their deliberations, and that when the church from which the mission springs is moved, the two will unite again. The committee is to report back to the board on next Tuesday.

Mr. William W. Goddard, a well-known young man of this city, and Miss Rachel O. Blankenship were quietly married by Rev. W. E. Reynolds at the residence of that divine at 3 o'clock last night. The young couple, who are both well known to the community, will be married at their future home, on the river side, where a reception was tendered them. The groom is a mechanic by trade.

MR. CROOKS PROBABLY NOT HURT. The report that spread through the city Sunday, and continued into yesterday that Mr. Joseph Crooks, of Perry street, had been injured by jumping from a train of which he was engineer into the Chowan river was not believed by his people here. They had heard nothing direct from him, though the engineer's brother, Mr. A. Crooks, was heard for contradictory to the denial of the rumor; yet they do not believe that he is at all hurt, or else they would have been informed immediately concerning his condition.

A LADY ASKS FOR PROTECTION. "Squire Tyson, whom the fates have set up as the near-sighted god of the city, and who has been at his post beside the mill yesterday, and for some time was busily engaged in grinding out to those who were hungering after the sweets of justice."

Mr. C. F. Moore, a well-known contractor, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by his wife, Mrs. S. J. Moore, charging him with abusing her and threatening to take her life. Mrs. Moore said she only came to court seeking protection; that when she came in from a drive Monday evening, she was met by her husband, who was armed with a revolver, and he threatened to take her life, and she fled a distance of fifteen feet. The injured man was picked up by City-Gauger John E. Epps, and his injuries, which were not serious, were dressed in the office of Mr. Epps.

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THE STATE CAMPAIGN

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS.

Mr. E. E. Early left yesterday for Crook, Va., where he will spend his vacation. Miss Nettie Bishop is quite ill at her parents' residence, on east Eighth street. Mr. Frank Lordly was up this week from Newport News, and was greeted by his many friends.

Mr. W. F. Whine, of Old Point, Va., has been visiting friends in this city. Miss Nannie Perdue, of Petersburg, is visiting her brother, Mr. T. F. Perdue, of Elizabeth and Stockton streets.

Mr. A. L. Powell, who was injured by having his toes cut off, is now able to get about with the assistance of crutches.

Mr. R. B. Toney, of Hampton, came up Monday to see his family. He returned to the city the same day.

Mr. C. S. Wells is in Philadelphia representing Indiana Tribe of the United States Grand Council of Red Men.

The farmers of Chesterfield county are complaining very much of the threatened dry spell. They say their crops are being burned up.

Mrs. Rosa E. O'Dell and daughter, Miss Mildred, who have been visiting Mrs. J. P. Robinson, returned to their home in New York Monday last.

Miss Clara Lear left Monday for school at Irvington, Va. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Emma Lear, who will spend a few days in that place.

Captain W. G. Gilliam is attending the convention of post-officers at Baltimore. He represents Branch No. 177, of this city.

A lawn party, which promises a good time to all who attend, will be given at the residence of Mrs. W. E. Reynolds, on Tenth and McDonough streets, this Friday.

It will commence at 5 o'clock in the afternoon and continue until 10 o'clock at night. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the Presbyterian church.

At a recent meeting of the official board of the Methodist churches of Manchester, it was resolved that no notices except for religious services be announced from the pulpit by the ministers of the churches hereafter.

LECTURES TO BE PRESENTED.

Next Meeting of Lee Camp to Be an Interesting One.

The meeting of R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans, on next Friday night will be of unusual interest. It is a regular night for the public presentation of pictures, and friends of the camp, ladies especially, are invited to be present. The musical part of the entertainment will be given by the auspices of the "Philharmonics," and the following pictures will be formally presented to the camp:

The portrait of Brigadier-General Williams C. Wickham, to be presented by Comrade Thomas W. Symonds, and received by Comrade John E. Taylor.

The statue of Sam. Davis, the boy martyr of the Army of the Tennessee, to be presented by Comrade David C. Richardson and received by Comrade Norman V. Randolph.

The picture of Comrade M. F. Morris, the youngest soldier of the Army of Northern Virginia, to be presented by Mr. M. F. Maury, of the Sons of Veterans, and received by Comrade John E. Laughton, Jr.

Many visitors are expected to be present. The picture of Comrade Kelster, of Shenandoah county, Va., the old bugler of Wickham's Brigade.

CITY-HALL COURT NEWS.

In the Law and Equity Court yesterday suits were brought as follows:

McGovern & Thompson, brothers against C. & H. Kaufmann; damages \$500, Smith & Stought against same; damages \$200.

Thomas E. Green against same; \$300 damages.

William Newly against same; damages \$500.

C. M. Hepgood against same; damages \$500.

A suit was instituted in the City Circuit Court by Charles H. Goswath against Silas Shelburne for \$201.25.

Another suit brought in the City Circuit Court, against B. Boudar for \$500 damages; same against B. E. Eanes, \$500 damages; same against A. L. Marcy and W. J. Epps, \$25.24.

Where Are Waller and Adams?

The two men, Waller and Adams, who advertised a big Labor-Day celebration at the Exposition, and who then, after having received \$50 advance money from the Traction Company, decamped without carrying out their programme, are yet numbered among the missing, though the police are looking for them. No traces of the men have yet been found.

The Traction Company people are very reticent concerning the affair, and beyond asserting that they have no knowledge of the men's whereabouts, decline to discuss the matter.

SERIOUS FALL AT THE CITY HALL.

Mr. Ellis Abram, an aged and well-known citizen of Richmond, met with quite a serious accident on the Tenth street side of the City Hall yesterday morning. He was being led by a young man along Tenth street, and started into the basement of the City Hall building, when he missed his foothold and fell a distance of fifteen feet. The injured man was picked up by City-Gauger John E. Epps, and his injuries, which were not serious, were dressed in the office of Mr. Epps.

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